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## NEGRO HISTORY WEEK

It is definitely self-evident that there is not an over-emphasis of Negro History Week at North Carolina College. In fact, the emphasis is so limited, that it can be well assumed that the whole week, which has been set aside for special tribute to the outstanding people of the Negro Race, and for an intensification of study of Negro History, passed virtually unnoticed by 75 per cent of the NCC Student Body.

Perhaps it would not be very wise to place the blame for this neglect in any one particular quarter, since it is assumed, and we hope justifiably so, that all of the students are adults, capable of directing themselves to a secure and broad educational foundations. Let us hope that it is not necessary for our instructors to assume full responsibility for instilling our interests in the direction of intellectual improvement. Rather, let us concede that there is room for vast improve-

ment, in the manner in which Negro History Week is recognized, on this campus, and by doing so, resolve to improve the attention paid to an occasion so important to the citizens of NCC.

There is a possibility that, through the medium of the Forum Committee, an attractive program could be arranged in time for the occasion next year. Or, possibly, the Social Science Club could arrange a Negro History Week Emphasis plan, which would focus student and faculty attention on the week of tribute to the Negro Race.

This writer noticed in an exchange paper from a high school in Warrenton, N. C. that students of that school had engaged in a concerted effort to recognize Negro History Week. Perhaps North Carolina College students could well take example from a younger, but more observant group of students.

## STUDENT ELECTIONS

It will not be long before the entire campus will be buzzing with the excitement of the Student Government Elections and the responsibility of selecting a competent group of officials to administer the duties of Student Government will be laid at the feet of the NCC citizens. However, if the residents of this small community follow the pattern of last year in relation to student elections, the percentage of student actually participating in the election will equal less than thirty-three and one-third percent.

This year, there will probably be quite a few candidates from which we may choose our leaders. Most likely, all of the candidates will be equipped with the proper qualifications to fulfill successfully the obligations of the respective offices. It will, therefore, rest on the shoulders of the students here, by a process of just elimination, and on the basis of qualifications and ability alone, to elect people who will adequately represent us as spokesmen for the student body.

It is very easy to gather in groups after

the process of election has long been disposed of, and to discuss the fallacies of the present administration, its partialities, its low rating in comparison with the rating of those who were defeated, and the "could have's" and "why don't's". However, it is just an unnecessary waste of precious time, when these opinions could have been voiced in a positive manner, had more of the students taken an active part in the election of the previous year.

The Student Government Officials represent us. Therefore, it is our duty to insure ourselves of good and dependable representation, and of competent liaison officers among faculty, staff, and administrators, and the students themselves. The correct time to make your opinion count is at election time, and if each student does his part in the election, there can be only one outcome; the rule of the majority. Your vote is as powerful as a law itself. Exercise your constitutional privilege. Vote in the Student Elections for the candidates of your choice.

## ECHO OR EAGLE

Without one sprig of doubt, it can be said that most of the students here are good and tired of that ECHO and EAGLE refrain. Every year, during the period when budgets are being discussed, there exists a subconscious animosity between the Editorial Boards of both of these student publications. The problem from which these antagonisms stem is very simple and also very evident to those people who are obliged to bicker for enough money to keep their publication on its feet. There isn't enough money allotted to the budget committee to divide between the two organizations.

The seniors have been asking for a better yearbook, and all of the students have been asking for more regular editions of the ECHO. However, how can either one of these requests be granted, when, for example, the budget submitted by the Eagle totaled \$7,552 and the amount granted the budget committee to be divided between both publications totaled only \$7,500 itself?

For a school the size of this one, and with a rating of the type that this school has, it is indeed disgraceful that the yearbook and student newspaper can not be of any better quality than they are. This cannot be attributed to the irresponsibility of the editors of these publications, because the pattern, in all cases, has to be cut according to the cloth.

The ECHO travels to many other colleges, universities, and high schools, throughout the country. Therefore, it can be assumed that it serves as an instrument of promotion for this school, and also as a natural method of impressing potential NCC.

However, during the past year, over \$500.00 was spent in preparation of a brochure, called This is North Carolina College, intended to impress people with the attributes of North Carolina College, through circulation. This fact leads one to wonder if it would not prove more profitable to delegate some of this \$500.00 to the two student publications already in existence, so that they might be improved and serve the purpose of disseminating school publicity in a much better manner.

After all, this publication does not necessarily have to reflect the true atmosphere of North Carolina College, which the ECHO and the EAGLE would do merely because they are a part of the students themselves. Or maybe there is not a desire to have the true personality of NCC reflected? That's a good question.

We hope that by budget time next year, the EAGLE and the ECHO will have a larger amount of money to divide, and that, through this improvement, they may then set out to make internal improvements.

# Jimmy's Journal

By James L. Atwater

The thirty days usually designated by the Georgian calendar as April and by Geoffrey Chaucer as April will make quite a contribution to NCC's objectives of providing varied services to the citizens of the Old North State. The specific events to which I refer can be grouped under the homely expression "company's coming". At this writing four groups are planned for by certain host groups on the campus, and more than likely others will make the Spring Pilgrimage to this shrine of learning and culture.

For the most part the majority of the groups will be composed of high school seniors who tour campuses in an effort to make some first hand inspections of the environments in which they may spend four of the most decisive years of their lives.

A state convention of 4-H

club members will be held here one Saturday in April, one Friday will be given over to the Music Festival (choral), seniors competing for the James E. Shepard Scholarships will be here one day, and about the end of the month thirty high school students from Springfield, Mass., will spend a day with us.

Although there is little doubt that they are likely to be impressed with the campus, it is possible that we can add to the good impression by serving as gracious hosts. There is no doubt that we may be the objects of some stares just as piercing as the ones we are so adept at directing, but we must remember that they are our guests.

It is not beyond the realm of reality to conjecture that the way we speak to our guest may be the determining factor in the choice of a college. Although organizations such as Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity and student government may have the official responsibility for serving as host, we can all make the visits pleasant

and rewarding. NOTE: This is not to be construed as an explanation of how to do it, nor of what to do. I merely wanted to tell you about some of the things that are scheduled for the near future.

As Mme. Le Farge bares the weary knitting needles and prepares for the last victims of the Liberal Party 1953 Revolution, the last weary, but defiantly arrogant members of the Collegiate - Independent coalition prepare to endure the last tragic parade of the martyr to "better student government."

Jim Atwater and Wimp Tillery are among the last to make the defiant climb up the slippery thirteen.

This may be a bit "Dickensian" but it certainly romanticizes one aspect of the end of one year of administering the student government. We certainly want to extend our public appreciation to the people who have done the work in SG for the past year. Our standbys, the Cabinet and Office Staff.

Cabinet members were (courtesy of the Directory of Student Government) Sam Atwater, Muriel Atwater, William Bulow, Chester Gregory, Gale Mack, Matthew Mason, Savannah Mitchell, Earl Whitted, Elizabeth Shell, Claude Stephens, Cleon Thompson, Pete Ward, and Vivian Swain.

Edwina Lanier, Mary Stroud, Mary Norwood, Ernest Cordal, and Robert Hargraves, made up the Office Staff.

All of these people worked without compensation and they all served efficiently and diligently to provide you with better student government during 52-53.

One of the last innovations which we shall try to make in student government will be a Council of Organizations to handle charity drives on campus and represent the opinions of student leaders on various matters affecting students. The membership of this council will be composed of the presidents of all the student organizations chartered by student government.

On May 23 we hope to present the climax of our year of SG by (Please turn to Page Four)

# PEERING THROUGH THE BIRDS-EYE

BY BONNIE

## The Case Of The McLean Floors

In my recent sleuthing around and about the dormitories, I have discovered that McLean Dormitory is coming out on the short end of the stick. It seems that some of the other dorms can get wax for their floors at regular intervals but the poor sophomore dorm floors are almost cracking with dryness. In fact, McLean girls have been told that they could not have any wax at any time this year. I really hate to say this, but that sounds like partiality to me. Let's have a little more democracy with the wax! This statement is directed to whom it may concern.

## That Feminine Masculinity

There have been quite a few complaints from various people on the campus about the way the women residents of North Carolina College appear in the dining hall. Apparently, the consensus of opinion of these individuals is that young ladies who wear slacks and dungarees, do not do so with as much finesse as they possibly could. Personally, I have not noticed any difference in the manner in which these young ladies conduct themselves when wearing slacks in comparison with their conduct in dresses. Probably a

oversight on my part. Nevertheless, since there have been a few complaints, which some of us consider unfounded, maybe, with a little effort, we women could prove that the complaints are unfounded. How about it, Girls???

## Opportunity Knocked For Some

The attendance at the Job Opportunity Clinic sponsored by the Women's Assembly was just short of disappointing. Aff the female population on North Carolina College's Campus was polled to ascertain the number of young women interested in various fields, and experts were obtained to equip these young women with invaluable advice, concerning the possibilities in these fields, only a few women attended. The number of women enrolled in the college attended the sessions. It is a pity that so many people on this campus fail to take advantage of the multiple opportunities made available to them, might prove useful to them in the near future. But, of course, opportunity, like time, waits for no one.

## CUTS COST MONEY

Just a friendly word of advice to those students who will soon belong to that National Organization called Class-Cutters, Anonymous. Each cut you take costs you approximately \$1.00, in other words, you pay for your cuts. Sort of expensive, isn't it?

## WHAT THEY SAID . . .

The right formula for peace does not consist in war. This view is held even by leading military men as in the case of General Eisenhower who speaks of "the sterile negative, stupid business of war or preparation for war". Historians discount war as a true path to peace and Christians in the early centuries of the church even forbade participation by fellow Christians in the military profession.

The true path to peace lies elsewhere. A hint of this is found in the three Chinese words for peace. One of these words means "rice in the mouth," another

means "roof over wife," and the third means "men on a level." The lesson is that there will never be peace in the world until men, all men, have rice or bread sufficient for their needs, until they have adequate shelter, and until they learn to treat each other as brothers.

If we would promote peace, we in prosperous America especially bend our major effort toward fulfilling the conditions of peace as suggested by the meanings of the three Chinese words for it.

—Dean William Stuart Nelson  
Duke Auditorium

## Letter To The Editor.....

### Letters

Dear Sir:

The members of St. Mark's Church join with me in expressing their thanks to you and the members of your Creative Dance Group for the magnificent performance at Wilmington on Feb. 6th last.

Benevolent and sincere comments have been repeated again and again by our citizens who witnessed the offerings of the group, and who have been lavish with their praise.

We beg to extend our congratulations to you, Miss Alaveta Hutson and her group for a most delightful and memorable evening, and especially for the inspiration which they gave to so many of our young people.

Praying for God's continued Blessings on their work, I am, Faithfully Yours,  
The Rev. Edwin E. Kirtan

Sir:

I saw the picture of the girls on the cover of the Color and would like to have a picture of every girl on that book, if it will not be too much trouble and I would like to receive a letter from the girls. You see my home is in North Carolina and here where I am it is kind of hard to receive pictures of colored girls and letters. So I am asking if you would see that those girls will receive this letter; I would like if you would have this letter typed so they can understand it.

I hope I am not taking too much of your time, although I know you are a very busy man. You see I don't have too many girl friends because before I came over seas I was shy and bashful around girls.

Please spare a little time and do me that favor. I would never forget it.

A friend,  
Ralph Holley  
Cpl. Ralph Holley  
Rd. 13349904  
46st. Ord. AMM  
APO 71 care of PM  
San Francisco, California

### Letter

Miss Danielette Tucker  
North Carolina College at Durham  
Durham, North Carolina  
Dear Miss Tucker:

Thank you for your letter which we were glad to publish in the January issue of the Campus Echo. I am happy to say that it has brought new readers to the "Letters" column. More students should take advantage of the opportunity to express their views publicly.

In reply, I wish to call your attention to my column, "The Burt Beat", in the November issue of the Echo to which you referred in your letter. Your letter reveals that you misinterpreted the contents of my statement. The mention I made of the "McClaren-Tucker" incident was a mere statement of fact in a jovial manner. The account neither expresses nor implies an opinion on the matter.

My statement read, "Fred McClaren asked a girl for a nickel and his personnel dean 'locked him up' until June". Your reference to my statement read, "Your second article, 'The Burt Beat', stated that a young man was locked in jail by his personnel dean because

he asked a young lady to buy him a soda".

"Locked him up", taken literally, does sound "fantastic," as you charge. But in the jovial sense, as it was intended, and as the quotation marks indicate, fantastic is not the case.

I think the nature of your attack upon Miss Scruggs was unjustified. Miss Scruggs was concerned with "just what would be the corrective measure employed in reprimanding a young man for an offense a little more severe than this one". She made no attempt to "gain popularity by taking sides in an issue with the group", as you allege.

I must commend your cause, however, for I think that every young lady on this campus should have the courage to demand the respect that she thinks she deserves. It may even be advisable that other women become as conscious as you are of the check to determine just what they actually deserve may be very revealing.

A Southern belle once said to me,  
"I'd like to tell you--all  
that I smoke Luckies 'cause they're free  
And easy on the draw!"

Richard H. Levine  
University of Vermont

Nothing-no, nothing-beats better taste  
and LUCKIES  
TASTE BETTER!  
Cleaner, Fresher, Smoother!

Ask yourself this question: Why do I smoke?  
You know, yourself, you smoke for enjoyment. And you get enjoyment only from the taste of a cigarette.

Luckies taste better—cleaner, fresher, smoother! Why? Luckies are made better to taste better. And, what's more, Luckies are made of fine tobacco. L.S./M.F.T.—Lucky Strike Means Fine Tobacco.

So, for the thing you want most in a cigarette... for better taste—for the cleaner, fresher, smoother taste of Lucky Strike...

Be Happy-GO LUCKY!

I went to see the Registrar—  
He sent me to the Dean—  
The Dean said, "Son, smoke Lucky Strike—  
They're smooth! They're fresh! They're clean!"

William A. Spiegel  
Northwestern University

In spelling class we get high grades  
Because we plainly see  
That better-tasting cigarettes  
Spell L.S./M.F.T.

Margaret Johnson  
Duquesne University

Where's your jingle?  
It's easier than you think to  
make \$25 by writing a Lucky  
Strike jingle like those you see  
in this ad. Yes, we need jingles  
—and we pay \$25 for every one  
we use! So send as many as you  
like to: Happy-Go-Lucky, P. O.  
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